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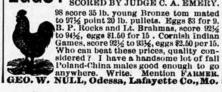
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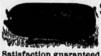
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OCTOBER 4-Winterscheidt Bros., Horton, Kas., Poland-China swine.

OCTOBER 9-Geo. W. Null, Odessa, Mo., Poland-China swine. China swine. OCTOBER 22-F. M. Lail, Marshall, Mo., Poland-

China swine. OCTODER 23—C. G. Sparks, Mt. Leonard, Mo., and G. L. Davis, Elmwood, Mo., Polond-China swine. OCTODER 30—L. N. Kennedy, Nevada, Mo., Poland-China swine.

Polled Durhams.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER:-I will try to answer Mr. Gehman's letter, in your paper, about the Polled Durham cattle. Like Wilkie Blair, of Beulah, I wanted the hornless cattle, as I think it cruel to cut the horns off, or use caustic potash or any of the dehorning

I saw in the papers that Jno. H. Miller, of Mexico, Ind., exhibited his Polled Durhams at the World's Fair and took thirty-five premiums, and when I visited the fair I also visited over in Miami county, where Mr. Miller lives and keeps his cattle. I looked at the cattle several times before I could make up my mind to pay his price, but I bought a pair and each day I am better satisfied with my bargain.

My bull took first premium at the World't Fair as a yearling. I bought him the day he was two years old, when he weighed 1,750 pounds. The cow took second premium as a year-ling. She dropped a bull calf a year ago to-day, which was sold at five months old, at which time he weighed 400 pounds, with no extra care.

The cattle are a deep red, low down, blocky, admirably built, as near Short-horn as can be. They have to be 87½ per cent. Short-horn before they can be registered in the "Polled Book," and must be hornless. My cow is eligible to registry in the Short-horn Herd Book, but the bull is not, having too much of the "muley cow." The breed of Polled Durhams has been in existence about seventeen years. Ail calves of registered Short-horn cows bred to Polled bulls are eligible to registry in the Polled Herd Book, providing they are hornless. I think there are no cattle so good for all purposes as the Short-horns, but they have the one disadvantage-horns; so I have the Short-horns less the horns.

I live seven miles northwest of Wichita, where I will be glad to show my cattle and tell of their merits.

Wichita, Kas. J. Q. Howes.

Holsteins.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER:-In your number of April 24, I notice the comment of Wilkie Blair on Red Polled cattle. The writer says, "I am prejudiced." I should think so, after reading the article-too much so. It would be well to have some more experience. As for the Holstein cattle, I cannot approve his statement. I have, at present, a dozen of them-pure-breds and grades-but not one that I have to milk with thumb and index finger, while some, the boys think, have rather large teats. As for the horns, I think the Almighty gave them to the Holsteins for an ornament—at least that is

yearling calves last fall for \$100, and I sold fat steers for as much as others. I know they say they are not as good, but when bought then they are the best. The best of it is, the Holsteins are all good, while some are excellent, while with other breeds you get one in many. As for the color, Mr. Blair may like the red. As for me, there are certainly none finer than the black and white

I am a Swiss. The most noted country for fine cattle is Switzerland, and I have been with them ever since I could drink milk, and have handled many different breeds, unfortunately not the Red Polled, but I find enough extra in the Holstein to convince me that I want no others. I therefore

send these few lines to the KANSAS FARMER to the credit of the noble JNO. WITSOHY. Holstein.

Fairview, Brown Co., April 30.

Herd Notes.

J. S. Magers, proprietor of the Bourbon County Herd of English Berkshires, reports his spring pig crop coming along first-rate. Last week two gilts and a young boar went to Missouri and a high-class young chap was shipped to Arkansas. The inquiries and sales are fairly good for this season of the year and there are yet a few good ones that are ready for the buyer.

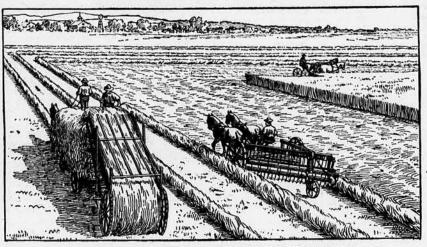
A visit was made last week at the Wood Dale farm, owned by the well-known Berk-shire breeder, N. H. Gentry, of Sedalia, Mo., also breeder of registered Short-horn cattle, horses, jack stock and sheep. The herds are in splendid condition now and are being depleted at fair prices. One yearling sow went a few days since to Con-necticut for \$300, and two more to Texas at \$150 each. The buyer of the \$300 animal is coming shortly to the farm with a view of considering whether or not he will pay the price asked for another young sow, viz., \$500. All the Short-horn bulls old enough for service are gone except two that will be ready for service early this coming summer.

W. S. Attebury, breeder of Improved Chester Whites, at Rossville, Shawnee county, Kansas, reports the herd in excel-lent condition. The intending buyer will find over sixty youngsters that will be ready to go in a few weeks. Several of fall farrows are ready now. The youngsters belonging to the March and April farrowings were sired by two prize-winning boars, Free Silver 6851 and Kaw Valley Pride 6601. The latter boar won first prize at the Kansas State fair in 1893. Free

he by Geo. Wilkes 14487; dam Corwin Tecumseh 66680 by Grand Tecumseh 19348 and out of Lady Corwin 69944. Space forbids that extended description that they both merit. The females belong mainly to the Black Bess, Corwin and a large draft of Wilkes. The spring litters are a fine, smooth, thrifty lot of youngsters and show up in great credit in favor of their respective sires. Mrs. Axline is having a good trade in sending out eggs from her pens of select Barred Plymouth Rock chickens. Her price is consistent with the times, \$1 per setting of fifteen. The birds are all vigorous and healthy and no breeder of fowls is more deserving of success than is Mrs. Axline.

Among others reporting a successful spring pig crop, is Martin Meisenheimer, one of Brown county's successful Poland China breeders. He states that he can safely declare that the youngsters now at home on the farm are the best lot farrowed since the herd was founded, some years ago. The sons and daughters of Tecumseh Free Trade are all good ones—broad-backed, deep, wide and with legs on the corners. writer appreciates the foregoing state ment and will, we believe, be joined with nine out of ten that have looked over the sire and the individuality of the female make-up of the herd. Credits to other sires are also among the little ones. Lady Corwin, a fine litter by T. F. T.; also Lady Gold Coin and Edward's Lassie. Lady Free Trade one by L's Tecumseh, that was bred by Messrs. Colthar & Leonard, of Nebraska. Lady Short Stop 2d has a competing litter, as well as Lady Free Trade 2d. The latter litter are just a little more than good ones, and, as the professional is wont to say, "They"ll be heard from later on." Among the best retained in the herd out of last year's breeding are two females, Lady Silver was bred by Silvers, of Ohio, and is right up in his conformation points, equal to any man's hog of any breed or color.

Among the sows that have litters to the



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forty-four broad-backed, deep-hammed piggles. Prices will be made to suit the times, says Mr. Attebury.

James Mains, the veteran breeder of twenty-five years, twenty-one of which have been Poland-Chinas, reports the best pig crop ever bred on the farm. The writer, about three weeks since, paid the writer, about three weeks since, paid the farm a field visit and was much pleased with the outlook and the twelve litters then on the ground. The major portion of the youngsters were sired by the highly-bred harem kings, Monroe's Model U. S. 29933, McWilkes (Vol. 17), that won first premium at the Nebraska State fair in 1894 and the years excellent aged boar. 1894, and the very excellent aged boar, Excell 31731. The twenty-five aged brooders and gilts bred belong to the best Poland-China families and the writer feels sure that the visitor will agree in saying that no better pigs, for both individuality and breeding, can be found anywhere, not even orders yet could be filled for fall and winter pigs of both sexes. Mrs. Mains, the visitor will find, is quite successful in breeding Plymouth Rock and Buff Cochin chickens and takes pleasure in shipping her friends eggs from birds of the best strains and judicious matings at reasonable prices

E. E. Axline, of Oak Grove, Jackson county, Missouri, was visited by the writer reek, and we were much gratified to find the herd of Poland-Chinas and pens of Plymouth Rock chickens doing finely. The wenty aged brooders are headed by Roy U. S. 13843 S. and 24165 A. He is by Roy Wilkes 23505 A., a grandson of Black U. S. 18345 A., and out of Hill's Darkness 2d 65768 A. He is doubtless one of the best bred and well-balanced individuals in the West. He is assisted by Western Wilkes 12846 S., bred by Cantrell & Garrett, of Illinois, sired by Guy Wilkes 2d 17777, that came to the farm during the past Black, A. G. P. A., Topeka, Kas.

credit of the aforementioned sires are Daisy 6910, Grace 8284, Belle 8276, Pearl 8278, May 6912. The five white mothers are raising forty-four broad-backed, deep-hammed pigherd has great strength and well diversified. Tecumseh Free Trade, Butler's Darkness, Victor M. Jr., U. S. Nemo, T. F. T. and L's Tecumseh blood makes a grand good aggregation and no one is more entitled to merit its worth and profit than is its owner, Mr. Meisenheimer.

Mr. Bert Wise, of Reserve, Brown

county, one of the foremost breeders in Kansas, reports that for the past six weeks his time has been almost exclusively taken up in looking after the Poland-China spring pig crop, that, at the date of writing, aggregated 115 youngsters. A majority of them were sired by the noted six-year-old breeding boar, Butler's Darkness 6848 S. Several good, strong litters are by a son of the \$275 sow, Lizer's Nemo 24471 S., that was sired by the noted A. A. 2d. This young fellow weighed 120 pounds when just 120 days old, and is developing in excellent all they use them for. I have no use for a dehorner.

As for steers, I can get as much for them as any other kind. I sold five yearling calves last fall for \$100, and I orders yet could be filled for fall and winter breeding, can be found anywhere, not even in Ohio, where Mr. Mains got his recruits form and promises to he a great sire, weighing between 700 and 800 pounds. Among the prize-winning females that have lately farrowed is the young saw, breeding, can be found anywhere, not even in Ohio, where Mr. Mains got his recruits form and promises to he a great sire, weighing between 700 and 800 pounds. Among the prize-winning females that have lately farrowed is the young saw, orders yet could be filled for fall and winter Garrett, sired by the \$800 Free Trade and out of Bessie Wilkes by the \$950 Guy Wilkes 2d. Her litter of six are by that noted sire, the \$600 Haines Black U. S. If breeding counts for anything, and the six youngsters, four sons and two daughters, come along right, as they doubtless will, there'll be something worth attending Mr. Wise's coming fall sale for. Mona Adams 26509 S., that won first in class and sweepstakes in a ring of drafts from eleven herds last fall, is raising a fine litter of six by Butler's Parkness. Many Kansas and Nebraska breeders will also call to mind the excellent individual—as Mr. Wise calls her, "My old sow"—Mollie's Black Choice 17901 S. She has six grand ones to the credit of the six-year-old sire. Close up comes Wise's Susa, with seven of her eleven by the same sire. Among the re-enforcements

The Only One To Stand the Test.

Rev. William Copp, whose father was a physician for over fifty years. in New Jersey, and who himself spent many years preparing for the practice of medicine, but subsequently entered the ministry of the M. E. Church, writes: "I am glad

to testify that I have had analyzed all the sarsaparilla preparations known in the trade, but

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is the only one of them that I could recommend as a blood-purifier. I have

given away hundreds of bottles of it, as I consider it the safest as well as the best to be had."-WM. COPP, Pastor M. E. Church, Jackson, Minn.



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twelve months is Lady U.S. Butler, that her present owner paid \$150 for at the T. J. Beresford sale. She is raising four fine little ones, sired by Ideal U. S. Nemo, the assistant aforementioned. The two leading Orient harem queens have each litters of six by the master of the harem. Space forbids more extended notes at this time, unless it be to state that the healthfulness of the herd was never better-in fact, cholera has not as yet made its appearance on the farm since the herd was established, several years ago.

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Agricultural Matters.

Subsoiling Saves the Surplus Water.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER:-One of your readers writes me to let the FARMER know how the subsoiled land worked during the recent heavy rain and if it was not a quagmire. We had a rainfall of about six inches and I had four acres that was subsoiled twenty-four inches deep, every twelve inches. When I subsoiled in the fall, the soil just over the hard-pan and just under the good surface soil was as dry and hard as a whetstone, and this condition is the reason the plow raised up the ground for two feet each side, as it did not work this way in the same ground this spring. When I read Mr. Peckham's very instructive letter, in which he said the sub-moisture and surface moisture had met, I immediately went out and examined my soil, and although we had not had a drop of rain, yet this hard and dry under soil was completely wet through, either from capillary attraction or absorption from the air when the temperature was below 45°. The action of the moisture had mellowed this hard dirt all up, and although we had no rain and the snow blew off of this piece, yet when we plowed it this spring it was as moist as any ground on the farm. I hired a man and team who ran a twelve-inch plow four inches deep and with three horses I ran the "Perine redeemer" eighteen inches in bottom of furrow, which made the broken soil measure twenty-two inches.

I never in my life saw plowing before. I thought I knew something about it, but now see where I have been blind. I have used a seventeen-inch plow and cut about twenty-two inches with it, and although the plow covered trash well, I now see the difference between twelve and twenty-two-inch cut. The plow ground up the soil into small par-ticles and the "redeemer" swelled the furrow full of loose, mellow, moist soil, raising up the whole furrow, but not for two feet, as in the fall. Not a drop of the six inches of rainfall got off of this piece, and after the sun came out the surface was dry before the water had settled in the dead furrows on fall plowing, and instead of horses slumping in, it was the firmest ground I had, as the water had settled it. All my other plowing ran the water off and did not absorb over one-half of it.

I had three-fourths of an acre intended for melons, that was just below my sheep sheds, and I had sub-broke this for twenty-four inches, and I went out in the storm and ditched the wash from an acre of hog corral, one-half acre sheep corral, one-fourth acre cow corral and the wash from the dooryard and sheds and stable onto this patch, and the red water filled it full. until it stood in the dead furrows, but none got off. I not only caught the six inches that fell but ran in six inches from a larger territory and saved it all. It had formerly run off into the creek. This liquid manure was equal to a heavy dressing of fertilizer, and no more wash from the yards will ever cross my fields again, as the tracks made by the "redeemer" will catch it all.

Brother farmers, just think of it. We have the best county on earth and a loving Father gives us plenty of rainfall if we only will take care of it. He we have stored up the spring rain we shall not suffer.

I have never seen the future look so bright to a farmer as now, to one who has subsoiled his land and done his

Supposing the whole of eastern Kansas should be subsoiled and hold all the rain that falls, what would be the result? To those who have ordered a subsoil plow and have not received one as promptly as desired, I have this to say: Consider yourselves of the very fortunate ones who are so fortunate as to have a prospect of a plow, as thousands will not get them for years and you will be on the top of the pile. Put in your corn and when it is six inches tle." Descriptive circular free. Address S high, use three horses and go once be-

tween the rows, about sixteen inches, and you will catch all of the June flood that we are sure to have, and your corn will weather through July and August all right.

I have cultivated in my oats in corn stalks and went once between the rows with the "redeemer," and I don't think any water will get off, and confidently expect the oats to be benefited by it, and if other oats are blighted or rusted, I think mine will not be. I left a strip not treated to use as a test and will C. J. NORTON. report.

Morantown, Kas.

"Conservative."

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER:-It may be instructive to many readers (I know it is to me) to read the many articles on the subject of "conservation of moisture" and its kindred subjects, but to the actual farmer, the one who plows, sows, plants and reaps, the practical utility of those articles fall on barren soil. Some few may experiment and try to follow their delusive plans and in the end go broke, while many conclude that the writers have "an axe to grind," and consequently pay no attention to them. Farmers, as a class, are easily duped, else there would be fewer "lightning-rod men" and other soft snaps afloat.

Now, I may be called a crank on the "conservation of water," etc., but I know from experience that it is easier to write those articles in a splendidlyfurnished office in some city, than it is

"Drove a Stake and Worked Around It."

The KANSAS FARMER cannot spare the space to print one in a hundred of the commendatory letters it receives. The following, however, shows so plainly the reason of the writer's success and the photograph brings out so well the simple taste and home characteristics of the farm he has made, and is withal so strong a testimonial to the worth of the agricultural press, that we have had the picture engraved and here give the letter as an encouragement to thrift and an incentive to hope and a prophesy of prosperity to those who, like him, "drive a stake and work around it," not neglecting to read the agricultural papers, and especially the "old reliable" KANSAS FARMER:

SUTPHEN'S MILL, KAS., March 20, 1895.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER:-Find inclosed dollar bill to renew my subscription for the "Old Reliable" KANSAS FARMER. I want you to understand, Mr. Editor, that I don't want you to ask me any more that question—"Whether I want to renew my subscription or not." I cannot do without the Kansas Farmer. I am going to have it, as I stated in my other letter, and that you should send it right along. I am here to stay. I can't keep house without it.

I inclose a nicture of my residence, so you

I inclose a picture of my residence, so you can see what I have done in twenty years, by driving my stake deep and working right around it. I started a poor man. Came to Kansas with my family with only a nickel in my pocket. I had my land paid for. So you can see what a man can do.

I have always taken an agricultural paper of some kind. I know that the knowledge I have gained from reading the Kansas to build dams, reservoirs, etc., or to FARMER has been worth hundreds of dol-

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subsoil with a Perine or any other lars to me. I would advise every man plow. In other words, theorizing is young or old, to take an agricultural paper. very easy, and with a well-sharpened Faber and a tablet in two hours time a man can become a millionaire in the sheep business, but practical results in the sheep business are about as near the millionaire mark as the same results in irrigation and "conservation of moisture."

Several years ago the writer attempted to utilize the surface water that should flow through a draw, by building a dam, intending to use the superfluous water for irrigation purposes. That dam is still in existence, the semblance of a reservoir or pond is there, but at no time in the five years of its existence has the pond been full always gives us a dry spell in July and of water, and further, when it is nec-August, on purpose to allow us a essary to apply water artificially the chance to secure our hay crop, and if pond is absolutely dry. Others in this county have had like experience.

Now, where is the practical utility of subsoiling when we do not have sufficient rainfall to wet the subsoil? At this writing our subsoil is absolutely

Irrigation, I believe, is all right, but let us have a rest on the subject of "conservation of moisture." Barber Co., Kas., April 29, 1895.

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I may send some more pointers in the fu-Yours respectfully, A. E. BOYLAND.

Flax for the Fiber.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER: - In a former communication I outlined somewhat the cost of utilizing the product of our flax straw. I will now discuss the subject of flax-raising as an agricultural product of Kansas. First, does it pay to raise it as it is now raised, only for the seed? Second, what is the probability that it will continue to be so in the future?

In my experience of over twenty

years in flax-raising, I have found the

result to stand about thus: In the the seed obtained per acre to be be tween eight and a half and nine bushels. The price of the seed on an average has been 781 cents per bushel. That is the cash result of the crop in dollars and cents, as it now stands. Still, we have this thing in favor of flax-raising, that we need it as a crop to diversify the industry of our farmers. Then, it occupies the ground but a short time, and as it is less liable to be damaged by insects than any other crop, and is a hardy crop, and if it don't make seed it always makes a crop of straw. Then we can use it as a kind of side issue, because it takes up very little of our time in putting it in the ground and harvesting. It is generally supposed that the flax plant is very depleting to the soil, but it is not General Agent, Chicago.

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so much worse than other crops as long as we cut and do not pull up by the roots. Now, as to its continuance as an agricultural crop in its present. condition-will it continue to be raised for seed only?

A slight review of the past would shed some light in answering the question. In the early history of this country, the colonies raised flax, both for fiber and seed, and it was aided by government bounties and every method of fostering the raising of it was adopted. It seemed to be an essential element in providing the clothing of the people, and yet with all that it has ceased to be raised in the New England States. As the population went westward, flax-raising went with it. New York and Ohio and Indiana continued to raise flax partially for seed and partially for what use they could make of it. The manufacture of linen fabrics in this country has languished in consequence of the small supply and high price of the raw material and has fallen into the hands almost entirely of foreigners and the raw material is brought from Europe. We are still continuing to raise it in the Western States for the seed only. Now, if our ingenuity and enterprise cannot formulate some method of utilizing the most valuable part of the plant, how long will we continue to raise it, or will we, like Eastern States, give it up altogether? We import annually great quantities of linen fiber, in its different varieties, also a large quantity of seed for our oil mills from Calcutta and the far east. The product of our spindles is made from supplies of fiber from Europe, costing \$200 to \$600 per ton. It seems to me that the utilization and making it to supply our own mills is a pride worth striving for. It interests not only the farmers but the enterprise will be vastly beneficial to the laboring interests of our country.
Fort Scott, Kas. H. B. WARE.

Sorghum for Forage.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER:-As the season starts out with the prospects good for a shortage in the forage crops, I thought if I would give some of my experiments with cane last season it might help some one who might be short on feed.

I took the wheat off of a piece of ground just as soon as it would do to stack and listed in cane. I harrowed it three times and cultivated it twice, and when the first frost came about half of it was in bloom. It made fine feed. I made a mistake in planting a late variety instead of an early one, or it would have made a half crop of seed, at least, which would have made it much richer, as the sugar does not begin to form much until the seed does. The better way is to plant now and cultivate same as drilled corn. The seed will all have time to get ripe, twenty odd years I find the average of and in consequence make the best of feed. W. D. GARD.

Thayer, Kas.

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Irrigation.

THE SUB-SURFACE WATERS OF THE GREAT PLAINS.

Rend before the Philosophical Society, of Topeka, April 24, 1895, by E. B. Cowgill, Editor of the KANSAS FARMER.

It was several years ago determined by Laws and Gilbert, the noted English experimenters, that the quantity of water transpired by a crop of wheat or grass during the season of its production, from seed to maturity, is about equal to seven inches spread uniformly over the entire surface on which the crop is produced. More recent investigations have confirmed the substantial correctness of this determination. The question, therefore, of the sufficiency of the rainfall of any region of country, for the purposes of agriculture, depends, not so much on its absolute amount, as upon the prevention of waste, and the utilization of the moisture in the production of crops. There is scarcely a place in the Great Plains region of the United States - a region 400 to 450 miles wide by, perhaps, 1,200 miles long, extending from the base of the Rocky mountains eastward, and having for its length the almost entire breadth of the nation-in which as much as seven inches of water does not fall during even the dryest year. What becomes of this water is an important question. Whether its waste and loss can be prevented is even more important. What proportion of it can be recovered and returned to the soil is another branch of the subject which is just now receiving great attention. This Society heard, recently, from the Hon. H. R. Hilton, an able discussion of "Soil Characteristics and the Deportment of Moisture in Soils," with valuable hints as to its preservation from waste. That branch of the subject is just now receiving very marked attention from the Soil Division of the United States Department of Agriculture, and in this State the investigation has been placed, very wisely, in charge of Mr. Hilton. Sufficient has already been determined to make it certain that of the rain which descends upon our farms, very much more can be conserved and made available for plant growth than has heretofore been supposed. In this work the subsoil plow, the surface cultivator and the scratching harrow are known already as efficient implements, and the increasing use of these, together with the determination of times and seasons when they are most advantageously employed, is designed to play no small part in the future prosperity of our agriculture.

Another branch of the subject, that of the recovery of run-off water and its distribution upon the surface, is receiving attention as never before. Very appropriately this branch of the subject is being investigated, and the resources of the arid and semi-arid regions of the United States are being increased, practically, by irrigation. It is needless here to discuss which is the more important, to hold the water in the soil until plants shall have appropriated it, or to recover the run-off water and re-apply it to the soil. The wise husbandman will avail himself of his opportunities in both directions to the largest extent practicable. But we have to do, to-night, with the recovery and re-application of run-off water. How much of it is there available on the plains? What are the means of obtaining this water, and how great is the amount of it? For what proportion of the plains is this run-off water available? Questions as to this branch of the subject come rapidly forward for answer, and are engaging the attention of both theorists and practical men as they never before claimed the attention of

the Anglo-Saxon race.

The quantity of water required for the irrigation of land is very great. The number of times which it must be applied depends very much upon the crop, and upon the amount and distribution of the rainfall of the locality under consideration. If crops are to depend entirely upon water artificially applied, not only the seven inches required to be transpired by the crop in its growth, but also a large

is generally estimated that the entire amount of water required for both crop and waste will amount to twenty-four inches per annum. This is easily fig-ured, as seven inches for the crop and seventeen inches for waste. But in the Great Plains region of the United States there is probably no considerable area on which, even in the dryest year, there is less than ten inches of rainfall. If this be reasonably con-served in the soil, it leaves, for the production of the average crop, wanting but fourteen inches to be artificially applied. Over a large part of the semi-arid region the average rainfall is fifteen to twenty inches, leaving a deficiency of four to nine inches for ordinary crops. For gardening and other intense forms of agriculture, larger supplies are necessary, and inasmuch as farming by irrigation tends to intensity of cultivation and increase of the crop yields, not unlikely the irrigated areas will continue to apply, as they do now apply, more than the dif-ference between twenty-four inches and the average precipitation. At Greeley, Colo., where the average precipitation is thirteen to fifteen inches, under the high cultivation of that community, about thirteen inches is artificially distributed upon the cultivated land. Since one acre inch of water weighs about 1121 tons, it is evident that no small supply will suffice for the irrigation of any considerable Is sufficient water available for irri-

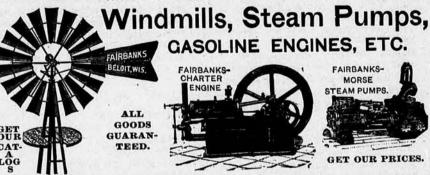
gating much of the Great Plains? It s known that under very large areas of the plains region there exists what is termed underflow or sheet water. In many places this is available in very large quantity. Indeed, it is considered, by farmers and others who have had occasion to draw upon it, to be practically inexhaustible. Ask where this water comes from, and perhaps the majority of the dwellers on the plains would say that it is from the Rocky mountains, and is indefinite in quantity. Undoubtedly the water precipitated on portions of the eastern slope and the Rockies finds its way down the valleys of the great streams which lead from the mountains out across the plains, and since the beds of these streams are usually composed of coarse sands and gravels, sometimes hundreds of feet in depth, and extending out under the country to various distances, more or less water is conveyed from the mountains into the underflow. But on this point we need not dispute with the geologists and other men of science who consider that the plains water, to but an inconsiderable extent, comes from the mountains. The Great Plains extend up to the base of the mountains, and slope off gradually towards the east. The upper strata of much of this plains country is readily permeable by water. The surface itself often becomes dry and compact to such an extent that water does not readily permeate it until it has fallen upon it for a considerable time, and the rains, which are usually torrential, run off over the surface, to the lower arroyas, which, for the time being, become turbulent streams. Very often, however, the water in these sinks away before reaching any permanent stream, and between this seepage and evaporation disappears from the surface. That which thus comes into the underflow sometimes reappears as springs, but in many cases becomes a part of the permanent underflow or sheet water which is able to but slowly make its way toward the sea. The rate of its progress is so slow that it is scarcely determinable, so that it becomes much like an underground lake, filled with sand and gravel. In times of unusual freshet some of the water runs over the surface into the larger drainage courses and flows rapidly out of the country. For the first 300 miles east from the Rocky mountains, in the latitude of Kansas and Nebraska, the mean annual rainfall is not far from fifteen inches. What proportion of this is lost by evaporation, and what proportion comes into the underflow has never been determined with sufficient precision to satisfy even the least exacting. Prof. Robt. Hay, of Kansas,

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inches of the rainfall is recoverable from under ground, and Prof. Hay gives it as his opinion that this estimate is approximately correct, and will apply to adjoining parts of Nebraska, Kansas and Texas. If this may be assumed as correct, and it is probably about a mean of the various estimates—some placing it as low as two inches and others much above five—it furnishes a basis for calculations as to the amount of land on which water may be redistributed by artificial irrigation. If it be assumed that, to the annual rainfall, an addition of as much as twenty inches is necessary for the production of maximum crops under intense cultivation, it is evident that this recoverable water will be sufficient to irrigate one-fourth of the entire area. If less intense cultivation prevail, so that not more than ten inches need to be added to the precipitation, then water enough is recoverable to irrigate half the entire area. Considerations like this led the writer some time ago to estimate that, for the western half of Kansas, a region which extends much farther east than the regions considered by Professors Van Diest and Hay in their estimates, water enough will be found to irrigate 50 per cent. of the entire area. It has been objected to this that no irrigated country in the world waters so large a proportion of its land. The writer disavows all responsibility for this state of facts, but is impelled to believe that the region under consideration is favorably situated to become the greatest irrigated country in the world. Its topography, its soil and its sunshine are as nearly perfect as can be conceived.

Wells sunk into this great underground reservoir indicate that it extends under a very large proportion of the plains region. Certainly there is comparatively little of the western half of Kansas or southern Nebraska under which it has not been found at varying depths. It is prevented from sinking away to the ocean level by the impervious strata below it. It is prevented from running rapidly down the plains to the ocean by the obstruction of sand and gravel in which it is stored. It is safe from evaporation by its covering of soil. It is replenished annually by the run-off from the region itself, with doubtless small addition from the mountains west of it. Its depth below the surface varies from three to four feet, in the first bottom of the streams, to ten or twelve feet in the large areas covered by the second bottoms, to thirty or forty feet on the lower uplands, and to 100 to 250 feet in the higher uplands. It is not infrequently separated into upper and lower measures by intervening layers of clay. sometimes but a few inches thick and sometimes several feet. Its depth has been found variable in the borings which have been made in sinking salt wells and in other deep borings. At Sterling, 150 feet was found before the impervious red rock was encountered. At Garden City, much greater depth

was found. In the uplands it is sometimes not encountered at all. At other places, to a depth of a few inches, and at still others, several feet. Usually the lower water-bearing strata afford the stronger supply, and in the coarser sand, and are found the more desirable to draw from.

Very few comprehensive experiments have been conducted to ascertain what amount of water can be obtained at a given point. The difficulty of sinking open wells into the sandy and gravelly water-bearing strata is considerable. Tubular or "drive" wells are much more common, and some experiments with these have greatly surprised observers as to the amount of water available in a given time. At an experiment recently made by G. N. and E. R. Moses, near Great Bend, a sixinch tubular well was sunk to a depth of about twenty feet into the water-bearing sands. The perforations in this tube were for a length of eight feet, and were covered with No. 60 wire gauze. The pump was run all day, throwing 500 gallons of water per minute, and afterwards the amount was increased to 600 gallons per minute, and continued for three hours without lowering the water in a tube sunk beside the perforated point. Numerous other experiments have tended to show that, so far as pumping is concerned, the supply of water is rapidly available, at least for the bottom and second bottom lands of the larger streams. Experiments have also been reported from wells in the higher lands which have shown very large available supplies, but the means and methods of making wells and raising water are practical considerations which very properly are receiving marked attention from civil engineers and machinists, and it is not to be doubted that within a comparatively few years the development of the Great Plains region by irrigation and by the conservation of their moisture will have been well begun.

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A Caution From the Consulting Engineer State Board of Irrigation.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER:-I am aware that I am less popular in some sections of the State than I should have been had I not thrown out cautionary suggestions. My duty, however, in these matters is plain.

You published, on the 1st, a table of evaporation, by Mr. Irish. The tables are supposed to give the averages. I have had these data for years and have thought best not to give them to the public for the reason that they may mislead. The average rainfall doesn't tell a man what he can depend upon. Neither does the average evaporation. The maximum evaporation is many times the average, and until there is a careful determination of the actual evaporation for months for a long period of years (which I hope the State Board of Irrigation will publish soon), I trust that no dependence whatever may be placed on averages.

Topeka, Kas. H. V. HINCKLEY.

Conserving Soil Moisture.

Prof. Roberts calls attention to ex periments in soil tillage which showed that plats cultivated one and one-half inches deep evaporated 2,000 pounds less of water daily than plats having no cultivation. On a heavy clay soil this difference amounted to 4,000 pounds per day per acre. On a light garden soil it amounted to 2,500 pounds daily per acre. Referring to the influence of salt and plaster on the evaporation of water from soil, he says:

"A mixture of equal parts by weight of salt and plaster, applied to the land at the rate of 4,000 pounds per acre, conserved the moisture of the first four inches to the amount of fifteen tons of water per acre; that is to say, the soil which had been treated with this mixture contained, about two weeks after the mixture had been sown, fifteen tons of water per acre in the first four inches more than the adjoining plats which were not treated. This amount of water, it is true, is not large, but it was large enough during a drought, when the experiments were conducted, to furnish enough extra moisture to the growing oats to be easily discernible by the growth of the plant. There is not the slightest doubt that a weekly surface cultivation of orchards, from June until the last of August, greatly conserves the water in the soil, while at the same time culture sets free plant food, keeps the lower strata of the soil cool and moist. Wherever the conditions do not forbid surface cultivation it should be practiced extensively in orchards, for the three-fold purpose of conserving moisture, preparing plant food and shading that portion of the soil which is occupied by the roots of the growing plant."—Rural World.

Weather Report for April, 1895.

Prepared by Chancellor F. H. Snow, of the University of Kansas, from observations taken at Lawrence

The warmest and dryest April in twentyseven years. The average temperature was nearly 2° higher than that of the hot. April of the year 1878. It is rather a curious fact, however, that the maximum temperature fell below the March maximum. This month is the sixth consecutive month with deficient rainfall. The four months of this year have had a smaller precipitation than that of the same four months in the twenty-seven years of our observation.

Mean temperature was 60.42°, which is 5.64° above the April average. The highest temperature was 86.5°, on the 30th; the lowest was 32.5°, on the 1st, giving a range of 54.0°. Mean temperature at 7 a. m., 53.27°; at 2 p. m., 69.47°; at 9 p. m.,

Rainfall was 0.74 inches, which is 2.37 inches below the April average. Rain in measurable quantities fell on seven days. The entire rainfall for the four months of the year now completed is 3.72 inches, which is 4.60 inches below the average for the same period in the twenty-seven years

Mean cloudiness was 35.80 per cent. of the sky, the month being 8.46 per cent. clearer than usual. Number of clear days (less than one-third cloudy), fourteen; half clear (one to two-thirds cloudy), eleven; cloudy (more than two-thirds), five. There were five entirely clear days and three entirely cloudy. Mean cloudiness at 7 a. m., 30.75 per cent.; at 2 p. m., 51.33 per cent.; at 9 p. m., 25.33 per cent.

northwest, fourteen times; north, seven times; south, three times; northeast, thir-teen times; east, seven times; southeast, twenty-four times; west, four times. The total run of the wind was 12,708 miles, which is 1,032 miles below the April average. This gives a mean daily velocity of 423.60 miles, and a mean hourly velocity of 17.65 miles. The highest velocity was 75 miles an hour, from 9:10 to 9:25 p. m. on the 5th.

Barometer.—Mean for the month, 29.016

inches; at 7 a. m., 29.037 inches; at 2 p. m., 29.004 inches; at 9 p. m., 29.003 inches; maximum, 29.432 inches, on the 12th; minimum, 28.378 inches, on the 6th; monthly range, 1.054 inch.

Relative Humidity.—Mean for the month, 57.06 per cent.; at 7 a. m., 67.64; at 2 p. m., 44.12; at 9 p. m., 59.42; greatest, 92, on the 1st and 6th; least, 15.5, on the 13th. There were no fogs.

Publications of United States Department of Agriculture for April.

[All applications for the publications of this department should be addressed to the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.]

The Mexican Cotton-Boll Weevil. Pp. 5. (Circular No. 6, new series, Division of Entomology.)

Kentucky Highways. History of the Old and New Systems. Pp. 24. (Bulletin No. 13, Office of Road Inquiry.)

A Manual of Instructions to Crop Correspondents. Pp. 28. Synopsis of Report of Statistician—April,

1895. No. 125. Pp. 4.
Report of the Statistician—April, 1895.
No. 125. Pp. II., 107-168. Contents: Condition of winter wheat; farm animals; number of families occupying farms owned, free and encumbered; amount of incum-brance on farms; health of the people; production, imports and exports of potatoes; production and prices of wool in Italy; potatoes and hay in Great Britain in 1894 cotton crop of India for the year 1894-95; rice crop of India for 1894; report of European agent; transportation charges.

Report of the Director of the Office of Experiment Stations for 1894. Pp. III., 123-131, from the Report of the Secretary of

Agriculture.

Report of the Chief of the Division of Records and Editing for 1894. Pp. m., 171-184, from the Report of the Secretary of Agriculture.

Experiment Station Record, Vol VI., No. Pp. vii., 489-584. (Not for general dis-

tribution.)
Wide Tires. Laws of Certain States Relating to Their Use, and Other Pertinent Information. Pp. 16. (Bulletin No. 12, Office of Road Inquiry.)

Circular of Information Relating to the

Display of Wind Signals on the Great Lakes. Pp. 23, pl. 1. (Weather Bureau.) Report on the Condensation of Atmospheric Moisture. Pp. 104, pls. IV., fig. 27.

(Bulletin No. 12, Weather Bureau.) Information Relative to the Investiga-tion of the Influence of Climate on Health. 7. (Circular No. 4 of Sanitary Cli-

matology, Weather Bureau.)
Surface Currents of the Great Lakes, as Deduced from the Movements of Bottle Papers During the Seasons of 1892, 1898 and 1894. Pp. xiv, charts 6. (Bulletin B,

Weather Bureau.)
Charts of the Weather Bureau. (Size 19 x 24 inches.)

Weather-Crop Bulletin (series of 1895) reporting temperature and rainfall with special reference to their effect on crops. (No. 3, for the month of March, and Nos. 4, 5, 6 and 7 for the weeks ending April 8, 15, 22 and 29.)

Semi-daily Weather Map, weather conditions throughout the United States and giving forecasts of probable

REPRINTS.

Milk Fermentations and Their Relations to Dairying. Prepared in the Office of Experiment Stations from Experiment Station Bulletin No. 9. Pp. 24. (Farmers' Bulletin No. 9.)

A General Index of the Agricultural Reports of the Patent Office for Twenty-five Years, from 1837 to 1861; and of the Department of Agriculture for Fifteen Years. from 1862 to 1876. Pp. 225.

Culture of the Sugar Beet: Pp. 24, figs. 9. (Farmers' Bulletin No. 3, Divisionof Chem-

Foods: Nutritive Value and Cost. Pp. 32, charts 2. (Farmers' Bulletin No. 23, Office of Experiment Stations.) Peach Yellows and Peach Rosette. Pp.

20, figs. 7. (Farmers' Bulletin No. 17, Division of Vegetable Pathology.) Proceedings of the National Road Con-

ference, held at Westminster Church, Asbury Park, N. J., July 5 and 6, 1894. Pp. 63, figs. 3. (Bulletin No. 10, Office of Road Inquiry.)
Some Destructive Potato Diseases: What

They are and How to Prevent Them. 8, figs. 3. (Farmers' Bulletin No. 15, Division of Vegetable Pathology.)
Fertilizers for Cotton. Pp. 31. (Farmers' Bulletin No. 14, Office of Experiment Stations.)

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Publishers' Paragraphs.

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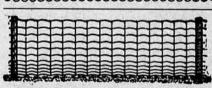
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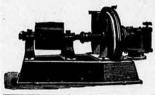
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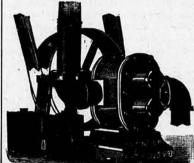


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The Some Circle.

To Correspondents.

The matter for the HOME CIRCLE is selected Wednesday of the week before the paper is printed Manuscript received after that almost invariably goes over to the next week, unless it is very short and very good. Correspondents will govern themselves accordingly.

HOW BEAUTIFUL.

How beautiful is rest,
After the long and wearying day of care,
When motionless the fervid summer air,
To feel that toil and striving are all done,
To watch the fields and hills at set of sun,
Type of that land by every nation blest—
How beautiful is rest!

How beautiful is sleep;
After the fever leaves the throbbing veins;
To close the eyes tended by fond love's pains,
And 'neath the shadows of the earthly streams,
To gently glide into the land of dreams,
Where memory and fond youth their visions

keep— How beautiful is sleep!

How beautiful is love—
The heart that beats in sympathy with thine,
The smile that lights the earth with rays divine,
The song that soothes the soul in pain and woe,
The hand that clasps thine own when hot tears
flow,
The tender tone, like music from above,
How beautiful is love!

How beautiful is hope, When breaking storm-clouds show the blue sky rifts,
After the snow melts and the vapor lifts.
When spring returns and the white dove draws

To dwell with us, type of the Spirit dear, When rainbow arches crown life's mountain n rainbow accessione slope How beautiful is hope!

How beautiful was peace, When brothers met in strife that foes abhor, On crimson fields of internecine war— When fond hearts bled far o'er a shuddering

land.
While brave souls fled to join the scraph band —
When triumphant tones proclaimed that war might cease— How beautiful was peace!

How beautiful is death!

After all care and pain and toil are o'er
To close the eyes upon this earthly shore,
Fol'owed by memories of undying love;
Welcomed by guardian angels from shove,
How tranquil to resign this laboring breath,
How beautiful is death!

—Boston Traveller.

NEAT LAUNDRY BAG.

How to Make a Pretty Receptacle for Solled Linen.

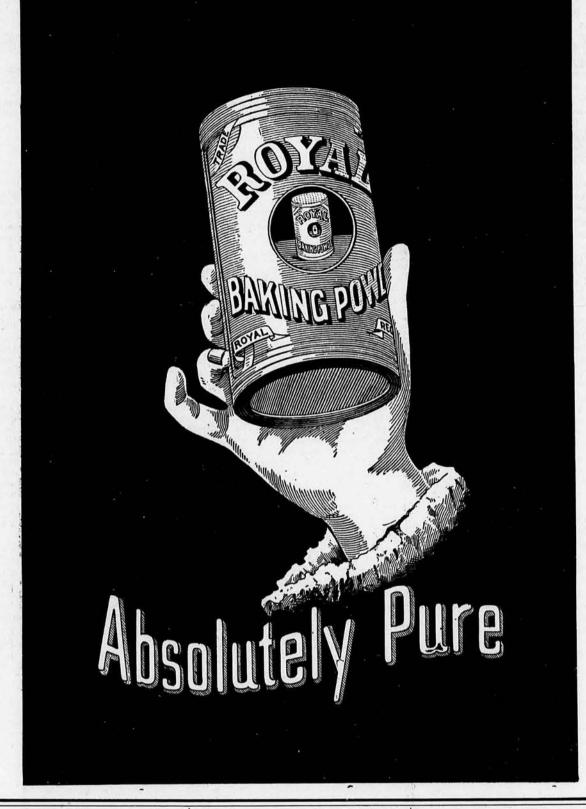
For persons who do not care to give up space to a large basket for holding soiled linen a laundry bag is the only resort. This may be made of plain



ticking or may be elevated to the rank of a decorative object, and it is a laundry bag of the latter description that is illustrated. It is made of strips of heavy canvas embroidered in a cross stitch tapestry design separated by bands of colored crocheted insertion. The bottom of the bag is finished with a crocheted edge to match. The embroidered sides are divided by straight plain pieces to make the bag capacious, and the whole thing is lined. The top of each side has small brass rings attached at intervals, through which are run brass rods which hold the bag in shape.—Cheerful Moments.

Changing One's Style of Dress.

The woman with a talent for dress says: "A great number of women ruin their appearance by not changing their style of dress when nature changes their style of looks. A woman does not keep one style all her life; she starts out blonde and thin; within ten years she becomes much darker in effect and becomes broader and stouter; but ten to one she clings passionately to the colors and general character of gowns and bonnets that were always becoming to her. She is a lost woman. She is sure to look passe. It



A menu for a card party consists of oyster patties, celery, rolled bread, cocoa, individual creams in the form of grapes, apples and pears, and small cakes. For an afternoon card party, when the guests constitute a club, meeting weekly at different houses, much simpler refreshments should be offered, as an elaborate menu spoils the appetite for dinner and upsets the digestion to a degree that should not be encouraged to anyone but one's enemies. Wafers, tea and chocolate, or sandwiches of a light and appetizing variety, a light salad, like sweetbread, or a chestnut salad with thin slices of brown bread, buillion and wafers, or cream, very light cakes and coffee, or two or three articles that are not too heavy should be the limit.

Cheese Pudding.

Mix a pint of fine bread crumbs with a small cupful of grated cheese and add a tablespoonful of butter and salt and cayenne to taste. Pour over them from two to four well-beaten eggs mixed with a large cupful of milk; beat briskly together, turn into a buttered dish and bake in a hot oven about forty minutes, or until the pudding is set and the surface brown and crackling. This is an excellent supper dish, or supplementary dinner dish when you have a light meat course. - Country Gentle-

Scalloped Tomatoes.

Take one quart can of tomatoes and season with one teaspoonful of salt, half a teaspoonful of pepper, a teaspoonful each of sugar and onion juice, is a great thing not to fall into a rut in clothes; look with a single mind at the present effect of the things you try on."

Butter a deep dish and sprinkle with

cover the top with fine bread crumbs and bits of outter. Bake in a moderate oven an hour and a half to two hours.-Boston Budget.

A Terrible Rumor from Paris.

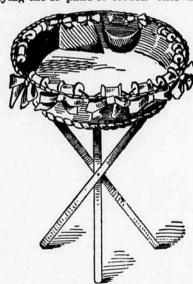
A rumor comes from Paris that parted hair is not to be the fashion much longer; that, even more trying still, the pompadour roll surrounding the face is to be the thing. If this be so, then for a return of the rats. Those curious abominations of our mothers time over which the hair is brushed will once more be used. With the hair brushed back in this fashion it is to be arranged in the shape of a figure eight, quite high at the back of the head, and the Psyche knot, which has been with us long enough to become modifled into quite a graceful arrangement, will have to go.

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thimble pocket of the same material, have ribbon ties tacked with tiny bows to their upper corners. These are also passed through to the outside where by tying the 11 pairs of ribbon ents into



neat bows the trimming of the basket is completed.

Aranged in this way the threads cannot become tangled, an empty spool is easily replaced and there is plenty of room left for all the other necessary furnishings of our handy sewing basket. -American Agriculturist.

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The Houng Solks.



I dreamed (we scribbling folk, you know, Have funny dreams sometimes, Else, pray. how could we spin our yarns And weave our merry rhymes?)

I thought two proud and fond mammas Each on a bright spring day Went walking with her little girl, As happy mothers may.

Now one before the other went Some fifty years or more, And you may guess how different were The gowns and hats they wore.

A rougish elf—the kind, you know, That only live in dreams— Observed the sight, and laughed to see Dame Fashion's odd extremes.

"Ho, ho!" he cried. "A little trick
I'll play those pretty dears!"
And in a twinkling he exchanged
The children and their years.

Each little daughter tripped demure Beside the wrong mamma, Who all unconscious sauntered on . With eyes that looked afar.

Until, just where the crossroads meet. Down glancing as she smiled, With start and frown each wondering dame Beheld her changeling child.

Alas! what looks of dire dismay! What woeful, shocked surprise! That fairly laughed until the tears Stood in his elfin eyes.

But when the little damsels wept To see their mothers' pain, Repenting of his naughty prank, He changed them back again.

And, as I woke, two fond mammas, Still pale with such a fright. Each holding fast her daughter's hand, Went whisking out of sight.

-- Margaret Johnson, in St. Nicholas.

BRAGGING IS FOOLISH.

It Is Far Better to Let Other People Sing Your Praises.

In some paper lately "bragging" was spoken of as a "sin," and the especial sin of the American people. But this is a charge which is not entirely true.

Bragging is by no means confined to the American people. And bragging is scarcely a "sin," although it is a pronounced form of silliness. For many reasons, all sin is foolish. Of course, just as there is no boy so great a fool as the boy who does what he knows to be wrong and who expects to gain something by doing it. That can't be done, and no one knows it better tham the boy who has tried it.

In the first place the braggart is foolish who brags of what he is going to do or going to have or going to be. . What's the use? People don't want tohear you tell of what you are "going to-do." All they answer is: "Well, do it! Have it! Be it! Then talk!" There-fore, don't talk beforehand. That is foolish. Wait! People don't believe you. They will laugh at you.

And again, the braggart is foolish who talks of what he is, of what he has or what he does, in the present. It is foolish because it is unnecessary. If. he is noble or great or brave he has no need to talk about it at all. People will know it. If he is doing a great deed he adds to the greatness of it by letting his deed speak for itself. Be sure if the deed is a grand one it will speak for itself. People cannot help hearing or seeing. So don't boast of what you are or have to do. Let your actions speak

And once more the braggart is foolish who boasts of what he used to be or to have or what he used to do. Why? Because if people do not know what you have done or been to ay will only laugh at your loud boasting. And if they do not there is no need for you to speak of it at all, and you belittle your

own act when you 'boast of it. The wise way is to make what you do so great that it speaks itself, for that is, what actions do if they are great; enough. And then all you have to do is to sit quiet and let other people sing your praises.

If bragging is a "sin" it must be the silliest sin there is. And that is saying a great deal.—N. Y. World.

YOUTHFUL MARKSMAN.

Little Wille Douglass Is a Sure Shot at: Forty-Five Feet.

There is a secret desire in every American boy's heart to become the sole proprietor of a gun which will shoot real powder and bullets. As he reads of the heroes of the French, and Indian wars. he wishes that these stirring times were of the present day. Then he thinks of how, with a trusty rifle, he would have gone forth against the savage red men. It is no idle day dream. He is only showing the true American spirt and pluck which is strong in every boy born in this great country of ours.

The famous rifle shots have all begun when they were boys. Daniel Boone



could accomplish wonderful feats with his flint-lock rifle before he had out-

grown his teens,
Col. William Cody, familiarly known
as Buffalo Bill, had achieved fame as a sure shot before he had reached his twenty-first birthday.

There are few boys who have an opportunity to develop skill with firearms nowadays. Those who do usually live in the west or in the rural districts. Every now and then one of these lads comes to the front to prove that America leads the world in the handling of this favorite weapon of the frontier.

We recently learned of a youth whose record is so good that every boy will wish to learn more of him. This young rifleman is Master Willie Douglass, of Lafayette, Ind. He has been shooting but a short time, but has shown a wonderful proficiency already. The illustration presented herewith shows Master Douglass; also his targets, with shots made at a range of 45 feet. It shows a score which counts 97 out of a possible 100. The target shown is full

Willie Douglass, this youthful disciple of Leather Stocking, says the New York Recorder, is about 10 years of age. He weighs 51 pounds—just a trifle over five times as much as his rifle. This handsome model of the gunmaker's skill he handles as correctly as does a veteran marksman. He is very cool and reserved in manner. He has a pair of keen, steel-gray eyes, and is a youth of striking appearance. His rifle is a 22-caliber. Willie Douglass is very fond of his rifle and the sport it affords him. He has a medal which shows his prowess.

An Effectual Warning.

It is well known that certain vagabonds desire nothing better, especially when the cold weather comes on, than to be arrested and locked up, in order that they may be taken care of for awhile. One of this fraternity succeeded in getting himself arrested for vagrancy, and on the way to the lockup he was so much overjoyed by the prospect of not having to sleep in the open air that he behaved somewhat boister-

"Pesp quiet !" threatened the police"

PATRIOTIC PIGEON.

After Four Years of Captivity in Berlin It Returns to France

Many instances are on record of tenacity of memory on the part of carrier pigeons, who are said never to forget their first cote. None of these instances are more remarkable, probof the birds employed to carry messages into Paris during the siege. These birds, domiciled in Paris, were taken out by balloons, and after being laden with tidings from without, were liberated, and made their way back to their homes.

One day a pigeon from one of these balloons was captured by a German soldier of the besieging army. He gave it to his officer, who presented it in turn to his commander, Prince Frederick Charles. The prince sent it as a gift to his mother in Germany, who happened to be somewhat of a pigeon fancier.

The princess, delighted with the gift, placed the captive in a great dove-cote, where it was surrounded with every luxury that the most exacting bird could ask for, but whence it could

Here the French pigeon lived, apparently happy enough, for four long years. But it did not forget its fatherland.

One day a door of the great dove cote was left carelessly open. The French pigeon flew out. It was never seen by its German hosts; but ten days later it was beating its wings against the doors of its old cote in the Bouleward de Clichy, Paris. It was recog-mized by its old keeper, and received the welcome due to a patriot returned from a long captivity.

Crabs Marching to the Sea.

A curious point in the history of the West Indian land crab is the fact that every year, when the rainy season has set in, they make a great excursion to the sea. Straight as a bee to its hive, they march to the coast. If a wall or rock comes in their way, they climb over it instead of going around. If a house is the obstacle, they will seek to get through the doors or windows; but, if this is not possible, they will climb over it. Those that fall back from considerable heights and get damaged in the tumble serve as food for their companions. So closely do these crabs march together, that the noise of their shelly armor as they jostle each other resembles the rattling of the arms and accoutrements of a regiment of cuiras-

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The company which is developing the power of Niagara Falls makes a price of \$20 per horse-power per year for local users. A price has been made for the city of Buffalo which is estimated to make the cost of electric power delivered at that city \$36 per horse-power per year.

The liberal rains which have occurred during the last few days throughout most of the grain-producing sections of the United States, were used by the "bears" on the grain markets as a means of depressing prices. Thereby many speculators were able to save losses or to make profits.

When the returns of the cattle situation are all considered, it is found that there is a shortage of about 15 per cent. It is not impossible that the 85 per cent. will bring more money to the owners than they would have received nad the production been 15 per cent. over rather than under the normal de-

A bulletin has just appeared from the State University on the "Stratigraphy of the Kansas Coal Measures, by Prof. Erasmus Haworth. This shows a beginning of geological work in this State on a common-sense basis and on a plan sufficiently comprehensive to embrace the entire State. But the chief merit of the work lies in the fact that it presents the subject of geology in so plain and simple a way as to be readily understood by those who have little or no previous technical knowledge of the subject. Further, it deals with matters of practical value to the people of the State. Such a survey as is here presented in its beginnings can be rapidly carried forward by stages, and when completed will be of immense advantage and should save many times its cost to those whose industries have to do with sub-surface

WINDMILL POWER.

For the various purposes for which power is needed on the farm, no other agent presents promise of cheapness as does the wind. The dweller on the plains is sure that it blows at least three-fourths of the time, and is not disabused of this error until he has erected a windmill for some purpose which demands almost constant power, when he becomes aware that it blows only about one-third of the time. But, notwithstanding its inconstancy, it is still true that power enough passes unused over each quarter section of Kansas land during almost every week of the entire year to plow that quarter section, and to subsoil it, too, if only the wind were harnessed to the work.

In the early days of eastern Kansas a young man, since known as Chief Justice Horton, accompanied Horace Greeley on a drive up the Kaw river to the site of the present city of To-peka. The noted editor talked, all the way, of the day when windmills would stud the entire route and pump water, to be used in irrigation, into reservoirs upon the hills, and was enthusiastically positive that such arrangement and the resulting prosperity would make every tillable acre worth \$500. The century, then but past its merid ian, is now old and the reservoirs have scarcely begun to appear in eastern Kansas. True, they are coming thick and fast in western Kansas, and the State itself is helping in the experimenting.

Horace Greeley did not overestimate the value of irrigation in increasing and making sure the productive power of the land. It is by some questioned, however, whether he indicated the most desirable source of power to raise the water. In his day little was known of the power of windmills, and when we look for exact information it is astonishing how little is yet available. Authorities on the subject disagree on almost every proposition. A table was prepared many years ago by A. R. Wolf, M. E., giving results of the operation of windmills. No doubt much improvement has lately been made in the construction of mills. The introduction of the curved steel sail is claimed to have added at least 50 per cent. to the power of a given size of mill. Wolf's tables were constructed before the introduction of the steel sail.

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The Stover Manufacturing Co. has recently published a table of pumping capacities of windmills, from which, for the purpose of comparison, we take data as to a few sizes of mills and place it in the same form as Wolf's table.

One of the best informed and most efficient engineers now dealing with the problem of lifting water is Ira C. Hubbell, manager for Fairbanks, Morse & Co., at Kansas City. Mr. Hubbell estimates that in a twenty-mile wind an eight-foot steel geared mill will develop one horse-power, and that 40 per cent. of this power may be realized in water pumped. For other sizes of mills he estimates that the power is Dairy for one year for \$1.25.

proportional to the squares of their diameters. While Stover's estimates of power developed are very much greater than those given in Wolf's tables, Mr. Hubbell's exceed Stover's for the smaller sizes, but do not increase so rapidly as either of the others with increase in the size of the mill. Thus, for an eight and one-half foot mill Wolf gives only four-hundredths of a horse-power, while for an eightfoot mill Mr. Hubbell gives forty-hundredths of a horse-power. For the twenty-five foot mill Wolf gives 1.34 horse-power, while for the same size Mr. Hubbell's figures would give 3.90 horse-power. It is worthy of note in this connection that a thoroughly responsible concern guarantees its machinery according to Mr. Hubbell's estimates. It is not impossible that the improvements made in construction since Wolf's tables were prepared have been so great as to cover the differences in the figures. It is difficult to discover in Wolf's tables any law for the increase of power as the size of the windmill is increased. The increase is, however, much more rapid than the surface of the mill, which is proportional to the square of the diameter used by Mr. Hubbell.

Without troubling to ascertain how much power windmills have developed, farmers have found them quite satisfactory for pumping water for stock and for grinding moderate quantities of feed. Their use for raising water for irrigation has made a much more sure test of their capacities and has resulted in so loading them as, in many instances, to overtax not so much the power caught by the sails as the strength of the working parts. Manufacturers have laid great stress upon the ability of their mills to "govern out" of the wind in case of a gale. Irrigation demands that they furnish mills capable of using the power of the gale as well as of the moderate wind. A prominent manufacturer recently made a tour of mills, furnished by him, to observe the effects of a storm. He concluded that mills have been made with more sail than strength of working parts. The demands of the customer for cheapness and of the stockholder for profits have placed the managers of manufacturing establishments between two fires. But the time is now here when the twin demands for greater strength and more power are to be made more persistently than that for cheapness. For irrigation, the small mill can only serve for the gardener. The farmer who irrigates by wind power must have a mill capable of giving at least a few horse-power and strong enough to work in a heavy

Referring again to Wolf's table, it will be seen that as to cost of power furnished, the advantage is all with the larger mills. The entire cost of windmill power is for interest on investment and maintenance of the mills. The investment should not be greater than for other small engines and the maintenance ought to be reduced by proper construction to a level with the expense of maintaining other machinery. It cannot be said that such is the case yet, but with the greater demand for good mills the cost is being reduced and the wearing qualities are being improved by the best manufacturers. The fact that the best windmills, when properly proportioned to the work expected of them, require little attendance is in their favor. The indications point to the extension of the use of the windmill for light service on the farm, especially for such work as is not necessarily done at a specified time and for such as may be anticipated. If manufacturers shall promptly meet the rapidly developing demand for thoroughly reliable mills of several horsepower, their field is a most inviting one, especially in the irrigation districts.

Some of the old Kansas friends of Henry Wallace, formerly editor of the Iowa Homestead, will doubtless like an opportunity to continue to read the emanations from his able pen. He is now editing Wallace's Farm and Dairy. By special arrangement we are able to send KANSAS FARMER and Farm and

FLAX SEED.

A good deal of interest is manifested, just now, in flax seed. Present prices are high and those interested as buyers and consumers are anxious as to future supplies. In a recent issue the Chicago Tribune presents the arguments in favor of liberal sowings this spring, as follows:

"Judging from the present outlook American farmers need have no fears of raising too much flax seed. Some speculators have been talking for effect in the strain that the decreased acreage of wheat in the middle West and Northwest meant the sowing of such quantities of flax seed that the market would be glutted with the next crop this fall. Such conclusions are not warranted by the facts now in hand. Receipts for some time past have never been so light for a corresponding period of the year in the history of the trade, and stocks are small all around. On the other hand, the demand for oil and cake is a healthful and steady one and bids fair to continue so. The La Plata crop will not cut the figure expected, and as for the Argentina, England is taking, and will in all probability continue to take, all that is forthcoming from that source and more. Speaking of the situation, the Oil, Paint and Drug Reporter says:
"'For a week or two past the market has

been unsettled by reports that the Argentina seed crop was one of enormous pro-portions and would be marketed here at a very low price. It is now stated that the Argentina output of seed is several millions less than was reported, and that all that is to be sent to this country is either here, afloat, or about to be shipped."

On the following day the Tribune contained the following quotations of

the flax seed market: "Flax seed market.
"Flax seed was firmer, due to the light supply. No. 1 Northwestern sold at \$1.44, an advance of ½ cent over former bids. Rejected sold at \$1.39 for good quality. May advanced ½ cent, selling at \$1.43½. The first transaction in the September delivery was a sale of 5,000 bushels by Weare to Logan at \$1.15, an advance of 3 cents over former bids. Receipts were five cars; shipments, 4,685 bushels."

Quite likely the demand for oil will, in the near future, be large. The revival of prosperity must bring with it a disposition to paint up buildings which have been long neglected. This, with the participation in the general demand for agricultural products, may sustain prices. Doubtless the demand for the next crop will make good the views expressed by the Chicago paper.

HOW TO SOW ALFALFA.

In answer to several inquiries concerning alfalfa and how to sow the seed, we reproduce the directions as given by McBeth & Kinnison, of Garden City, Kas., which appeared in the columns of the KANSAS FARMER quite a while ago. These gentlemen are prominent producers of alfalfa seed, and what they say regarding the matter may be considered as authority. Alfalfa is growing more and more into public favor, hence the information merits a careful study. The directions given are as follows:

"It is generally considered best to sow alfalfa on fall plowing. If no land which it is desired to seed was fallplowed, however, early spring plowing may be made to do nearly as well. Plow the ground deep-you can't plow too deep-as soon as it is dry enough to work, and harrow it well. The harrowing should be repeated every few days until seeding time, both to keep down all weed growth and to reduce the surface soil to the finest possible tilth.

"Alfalfa seed should not be sown very early. It is well enough to sow red clover while there is yet frost in the ground, and before spring is more than a promise, but alfalfa seeding should be deferred until warmer weather. Nothing is gained by sowing earlier than the middle of April, and there is seldom loss through waiting until May. Light frosts do not kill the young plants, but they so retard their growth that later-sown plants often make the best showing by June 1.

"Liberality in the use of seed is advisable. It is very difficult to re-seed thin patches, and the best plan it to guard against having those thin patches by heavy seeding. The rule is to sow twenty pounds of seed per acre, but this will bear some modification. On bottom land, if the soil is in good condition, and you intend to roll well

after seeding, fifteen pounds per acre will be ample to produce a thick stand. If the soil is not in the best condition for the germination of the seed proportionately more will be required. On upland, twenty pounds of seed per acre is the minimum amount to be recom-mended, and if the ground is not in good condition it will be economy to sow twenty-five pounds.

"Some alfalfa-growers still follow the practice of seeding with a nurse crop, but there is little in favor of this method and much against it. The removal of the nurse crop is always at a time when heat and dry weather are very hard on the unprotected young alfalfa plants. If any nurse crop is sown it should be harvested with a header, so that there may remain a considerable length of stubble to serve as protection for the alfalfa.

"The seed may be sown either broadcast or with a drill, but whichever method is selected, care should be taken that the seed is well covered. Common grass seed needs but the slightest covering, but alfalfa, like all leguminous plants, does better with moderately deep seeding. An inch is none too deep. After seeding, the ground should be run over with a roller, to pack the earth firmly about the seed and insure its early germination and rapid growth."

Weekly Weather-Crop Bulletin.

Weekly Weather-Crop Bulletin of the Kansas Weather Service, for week ending May 6, 1895—T. B. Jennings, Observer Weather Bureau, Director: CONDITIONS.

Fair rains have fallen over the greater part of the State, with good rains in McPherson, Reno, Harvey, Sedgwick and Cowley, and a large part of the Eastern Division, and very good rains in Atchison, Leavenworth, Douglas, Johnson and Franklin. The least rainfall occurred through the central counties from Osage and Coffey to the west line of the State. The temperature has been much above the normal in the Eastern Division, but more nearly normal in the Western.

RESULTS. EASTERN DIVISION.

In the eastern counties, from Neosho and Crawford to the north line of the State, it has been a fine growing week and the rains have enabled crops to go ahead of the chinch bug. Wheat in the eastern part of Osage and Western part of Franklin is finer probably than in other parts of the division. Cut-worms have become injurious in Wilson and Elk. Fruit still gives good promise.

Brown county.-Fine growing week; early-planted corn a good stand and growing rapidly; small grain, pastures and meadows doing well; garden vegetables forward.

Marshall.-Conditions all favorable to crops, causing everything to make a wonderful growth.

Atchison. - Everything in perfect growing condition.

Pottawatomie. - Rain has stopped chinch bugs in north part; springs are running strong; rye thin and heading short; other crops well.

Riley.-Corn planting nearly completed; the rain has done much good

and furnishes plenty of stock water. Geary -Severe hail of let did mu

damage to fruit and garden truck. Johnson.-The rains have brought

everything forward finely. Douglas.-Corn and potatoes up and

doing well. Osage.-Good rains have greatly improved crops in east half; very light rains in west half.

Coffey.-Chinch bugs and drought have done much damage already to wheat and oats, but the copious rains have benefited all crops except in the northwest corner.

Woodson.—Wheat and oats on the river much damaged by bugs and drought; corn on the prairie looks well, though small.

Wilson.—Wheat looking badly; oats mostly gone up, and corn on stubble ground being cleaned up by cut-worms, (much complaint of this pest, a small black worm three-fourths inch long); these rains have revived everything.

potatoes and gardens; cherries and plums falling badly.

Cherokee.-Wheat much injured; fruit of all kinds plenty except strawberry crop.

Montgomery.—All fruits suffering for a soaking rain; wheat heading out very short; corn making slow growth.

Chautauqua.-Will have not more than one-half crop of wheat, probably not that; corn in fine shape; oats and flax small but improving with these

MIDDLE DIVISION.

All crops in the northern counties are in good condition, and from Mc-Pherson to Cowley they have improved decidedly during the last days of the week. Fruit has been dropping badly in some districts, from the dry weather, but is doing better since the rains. Much corn remains ungerminated because of the dryness of the soil.

Jewell.-Good growing week; oats fine; corn coming nicely; larger acreage than ever before.

Phillips.—Some wheat left; corn nearly all up; fruit offers a good crop; rain needed.

Clay.—Small grain growing fairly; corn coming up unevenly; more rain needed for both; fruit not setting full.

Mitchell.-No wheat to report; corn is in all stages of planting, and is coming up; oats now doing well; these rains revived crops and the farmers.

Osborne.-Wheat fields nearly all in corn, of which an immense acreage is going in and coming up nicely.

Ottawa.-Corn planting nearly done; early planting a very good stand; wheat, oats and grass needing rain.

Ellis.—Wheat no better; oats and

on it. Wheat is doing no good in the central or southern counties, while in the southwestern small grains and grass are at a standstill.

Norton.-Very favorable week; corn coming up; the good prospects are inducing a larger acreage of corn than anticipated.

Decatur.—Week of rapid growth, with ground in fine condition; a good share of the corn planted and coming up.

Graham .- A fine week for farming, which has been vigorously pushed in all departments; corn coming up.

Sheridan.-Weather fair and crops growing well.

Thomas.-Fine growing week; all spring crops doing well; most of the winter wheat doing well also.

Trego.-Barley, oats, rye and grass made a fair growth past week; much larger acreage of corn going in than for

Gove.-Wheat thin but stooling some; good prospects for plums.

Wallace.-Grass fine for grazing; wheat, barley and oats not doing well, too dry; corn planting but too dry to

germinate.

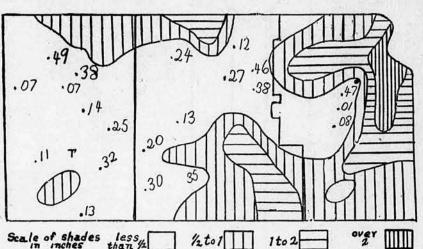
Ness.—Prospects for crops, not damaged by dust storms, were never better in last seventeen years.

Greeley.—No rain this spring; grass more advanced than usual, and stock in good condition, but no crop prospect

Ford .- All crops look well; fruit prospects bright.

Finney.—Oats and barley doing well; the weak wheat fields dying; garden crops forging ahead finely.

Grant.—Small grain and grass at a standstill; ground too dry to plow; no planting being done.



ACTUAL RAINFALL FOR WEEK ENDING MAY 4.

barley looking well; prospect good for

Dickinson.-Corn planting finished; oats not doing well; gardens and fruits look well.

Saline.-Oats and corn doing as well as they can; wheat improved some since the showers. Marion.—Corn a good stand; pastures

and fruit good; oats very good; wheat little over half crop.

McPherson.-Our rains have revived everything; fruits had fallen badly.

Barton.-Getting very dry for oats and barley; wheat suffering badly; listing corn still in full progress; pastures and alfalfa good.

Harvey.-Wheat now looking splendid and promises a good crop; corn a good stand; oats could not be better;

fruit first-class. Reno.-Hope revived, as well as crop prospects; fruit has fallen badly.

Stafford.-All crops were feeling the dry weather but have greatly revived since the 3d.

Sedgwick.—Everything growing rapidly; corn, oats and grass look promising but are needing more rain.

Kiowa.-High wind has filled up lister furrows and blown out some oats and barley; need rain very badly.

Cowley.-Considerable corn has not germinated yet; prospects improved by rains of April 30 and May 3; wheat on bottom has commenced to head.

Sumner.—Since the rain vegetation has started again; wheat very small, improving now.

WESTERN DIVISION.

Grains of all kinds are in good shape hese rains have revived everything. corn than for years. Grass is doing Elk,—Cut-worms working on corn, finely generally and stock is thriving reported in many counties in the eastin the northern counties, though a

Stanton.—Dry and windy; grass dry-ing up except on cultivated ground.

Meade.—Barley, oats and wheat in fine condition; rain of the 3d did much good to crops all over the county;

Fruits very promising.

Barber.—Fine growing week, with pastures in fine condition; good prospects for all kinds of grain except wheat; fruit good promise.

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Kansas Department of Agriculture.

Secretary Coburn, of the Kansas Board of Agriculture, issued last Monday the board's first crop report of the season, being a careful digest of statements made by a corps of conservative and closely observant correspondents in every county of the State, as to conditions on April 30. In the concrete this shows as follows:

Winter Wheat.-The last fall is estimated as having been 4,064,137 acres, or about 11 per cent. less than that sown the preceding year. By unfavorable weather conditions 53 per cent. of this, or 2,154,000 acres have been rendered practically worthless, and at least 47 per cent. of the whole will be planted in other crops, especially corn, and the sorghums-largely for forage and grain. The only counties venturing to report winter wheat as in "good" or "fair" condition are Atchison, Brown, Dickinson, Douglas, Franklin, Johnson, Linn, Marshall, Miami and Nemaha, and even in some of these it is evident such conditions are found only in limited districts. All reports indicate that it is the "hard" wheats, commonly designated as "Turkey" or "Russian," which best withstand the vicissitudes

ern third of the State, and likely to do much damage unless checked by wet weather. Kansas expects little from her wheat crop of 1895.

Spring Wheat.—The land in spring wheat is put at 132,150 acres, or 20 per cent. less than one year ago, and the present average condition is given as 70 per cent. Counties reporting the condition as "good," or "100," are Marshall, Phillips, Norton, Rooks, Rush, Sherman and Thomas, with rather the best reports from Rooks.

Corn.-The area which will be devoted to corn is put down as from 18 to 20 per cent. more than in 1894, approximating an increase of 1,250,000 acres, or a total of 7,655,000 acres. The most of this has been planted in good season; in many localities it is well up, being cultivated, and very promising, while in other sections lack of moisture has retarded germination and growth, which recent rains will now greatly

expedite.
Oats.—The acreage sown to oats shows an increase of fully 11 per cent., or 157,018 acres, over last year; a total of 1,585,000 acres. The condition, as compared with a full average, is 83 per

Rye.—The area seeded to rye in 1894 vas 131.134 acres. The estimate for 1895 is 166,540 acres, an increase of 27 per cent. Condition, 70 per cent.

Sorghums.-The interest in the sorghums for forage and grain is a rapidly growing one in Kansas, and the increase of acreage to be given up to them the present year is reported at not less than 25 per cent.

Grasses.-Are generally more forward this season than common, and affording early pasturage; yet, as with other growths, lack of seasonable rainfall has up to this time checked the

grasses materially. Fruit.—The prospect for a large crop of apples, peaches and cherries could not be better. Vines of the grapes and canes of the blackberries and raspberries have been damaged by winter in a few sections, but a plentiful yield of fruit is expected. Considerable planting of fruit trees in many localities.

General Rains.—The foregoing is all based upon conditions existent on or immediately prior to April 30, but it is proper to say that since then rains, the most copious in many months, have fallen, and are still falling over extensive areas in Kansas, and these, if continued, of course, presage one of Kansas' great crop seasons.

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Borticulture.

The Fruit Bark Beetle.

New specimens of fruit-destroyers are constantly being discovered. The latest is the fruit bark beetle, an immigrant from Europe. It is said to be the worst of all the vast army of insects with which the orchardists have to combat. So far it has attacked the apple, pear, peach and plum, and it goes about its destructive work in a methodical and premeditative sort of way, which slowly but eventually kills the tree.

First it bores straight into the bark, then makes a burrow lengthwise, and lays its eggs inside the borings. When these hatch, the larvæ eat the wood under the bark, and when grown go on with the work of boring, sometimes deep into the sap wood. Here they change into the chrysalis state, and finally emerge through holes in the bark full grown. When all this has happened, a man begins to wonder what is the matter with his tree, and attributes its damaged state to blight, which, by the way, is a term often covering many inexplicable and unknown diseases .- Exchange.

Potatoes to Plant an Acre.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER:-The potato crop for 1895 is now probably all planted, and we will all eagerly read the experience of others.

My own experience has somewhat startled me, as I have never before planted just as I have at this time, nor have I ever read of a similar test. The best authorities I have ever read say that five to ten bushels of seed per acre is about right, and S. A. Thomas says that of course there is a limit to E the amount of seed, but adds that he has never yet reached it. Now, if such veteran growers as he is have not yet reached the limit, what is an amateur to think?

Last fall I screened my whole crop, and all potatoes that would not pass through a two and one-half inch screen were stored by themselves for my own seed. While I never practiced planting the smallest tubers, yet I have always heretofore selected medium seed, but this year I desired to use the whole crop for seed, and as the Early Kansas potato is liable to grow too large to suit some, I decided to plant very close, cut to one eye and, of course, get all the seed I could on an acre. Many of my customers have asked me how much seed it took for an acre, and I always replied "from six to ten bushels." I did not then know just how much it was possible to get on, but do now, as on land that was surveyed, with large seed cut to one eye and put exactly 14x30, it took sixteen bushels per acre, or double the amount of plant food that small potatoes would give. My nearest neighbor planted an acre of the same kind and used five

bushels of seed. CLARENCE J. NORTON. Morantown, Kas.

Management of Berry Pickers.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER:-I see under the above heading, in the April number of the American Horticulturist, that Mr. H. D. Barrington, of Barclay, and B. F. Smith, of Lawrence, tell how they manage, or how they keep tally Hutchinson, Kas. with their pickers. As we have had about twenty-five years experience along that line, it might be of some benefit to your many readers to give our way of keeping tally. We used tickets for quart boxes for several years and found them a nuisance, both to grower and picker. We have used the ticket enclosed for several years. It has given perfect satisfaction to us and the pickers. We give each picker a ticket with a string tied in the hole, so they can tie it to a button or in a buttonone punch in number 6 counts six times | must run straight to the top, not flar-

as many as in number 1 and three times as many as in number 2, and so on. If a picker has eight boxes, give one punch in number 6 and one punch in number 2. As the ticket numbers from 1 to 6, one ticket will answer for several hundred boxes, if pickers want to let it run that long. Every picker understands that his ticket has to be punched when his crate is delivered at the packing-room or he loses his picking, so there is no chance for mistakes. We have not had any trouble about keeping tally of boxes since using this ticket. A quick boy or girl can attend to a large number of pickers. Instead of counting out six tickets, as Mr. Smith's man does, we give one punch, which is done as quickly as to hand out a ticket. We think this plan of keeping tally is good for a small grower or one that has 250 or more pickers—the more pickers the better. When we give a ticket out we write the picker's name on the back with ink, so if it is lost the finder cannot draw the pay. Any one wanting one of our picker's tickets for a sample can have it by sending a stamp to pay postage.

D. G. WATT & SONS.
Spring Grove Fruit Farm, Lawrence,

Measuring the Rainfall.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER:-Would you please give, in Kansas Farmer, some time

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Snow varies in the amount of water it contains, but averages about one inch of water to ten inches of snow. Heavy, wet snow has been known to contain an inch and a half of water to ten inches soon, a description of how the men that tell of snow, while light, dry snow runs us how much rain falls measure it? I have less than an inch. T. B. JENNINGS.

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Would there be any advantage here in this sandy land to use a subsoiler ?

Have any of your readers ever tried putting coal oil over seed corn to keep moles away? I put coal oil over some corn, supposing that it would kill the germ, but it

[This inquiry was referred to the Director of the United States Weather Service for Kansas, who answers as

follows.—EDITOR.]

In answer to Mr. Gehman's questions, would say that he is correctly informed regarding measurement of rain falling in high winds. The top of Weather Bureau standard gauge is a circle eight inches in diameter, and when rain is falling straight down, the gauge cuts a round hole in (so to speak) eight inches in diameter, but the more obliquely hole, so as to get at to be handy to punch. the rain is driven by the wind the We use a conductor's punch. We furnish each picker with a picker's crate that in a strong wind, the "hole" may beholds six berry boxes. When a picker come a mere slit eight inches long returns a crate full to the packing- and possibly less than an inch wide. room he gets one punch opposite the No gauge has yet been invented that number 6. That counts for six boxes. will overcome this difficulty. A "can," If he have but one box, the ticket is to be used as a rain-gauge, must have punched opposite figure 1. So you see straight sides, with no dents in, and

Quick Haying.

We wish to emphasize the fact that it is just as important for a farmer to have his hay of the best possible quality as it is to have his corn, wheat, or any other crop. The value of any crop depends on its feeding quality and hay more than most crops is judged by its color and appearance when marketed. Nice bright hay as nearly as possible to the grass green color and free from dust, dirt and trash is what is wanted at the market and at the successful farmer's feeding. We call attention to the im-portant fact that the National Association of Hay Shippers has lately established definite and uniform grades. Nothing is graded "choice" or "first" except it be of "good color and properly cured." In no way can this be done as well as by using the "Keystone Chief" Side Delivery Hay Rake and the "Keystone" Hay Loader, and for the

reason that hay does not lay in the swath to sunburn and lose its color, and is quickly loaded and without dirt or trash or break-ing the leaves and blossoms of clover, alfalfa, etc. The "Keystone Chief" Side Delivery Rake can be started just as soon as the first hay cut is ready to windrow and can be kept just that distance behind the mower. It often saves a tedder, because it makes a light, loose windrow in which the hay quickly dries. The windrow can be made any desired size by turning into it any number of swaths. The windrow is straight and goes clear around the field, saving all sharp turns with either the rake or the wagons with the loader. It is the only side rake that is simple and strong and durable. It will rake light or heavy hay and rake cleaner than any dump rake ever made, and it does not take dirt and trash under the stubble. Then when ever the first hay raked is ready the loading can begin and be done just as rapidly as you please with the "Keystone" loader. It has a capacity to put on the wagon a ton in five minutes but the work can be done as much slower as you please. Where help is scarce, we have known a boy or girl to drive and one person load, and even one person alone do the driving and loading by stop-ping the team till hay on the wagon is placed. It does not take up dirt or trash. It has no jerking or violent motion, therefore "Reystone" loaders that have been in use ten and fifteen years are common. The draft is so light that extra horses are not used on the wagon. The "Keystone" is the only loader that will load hay from cocks.

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and afterwards used on a wagon.

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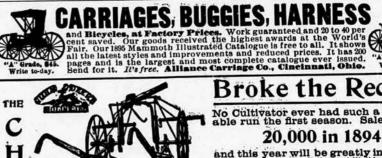
Removal of Ticket Office of New York, Chicago & St. Louis (Nickel Plate) Railroad.

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In the Dairy.

Conducted by A. E. JONES, of Oakland Dairy Farm. Address all communications Topeka, Kas.

About Feeds.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER: - The question of feeds for dairy cattle, viewed from its various standpoints, is one on which a great many can and do disagree. One sees all manner of suggestions as to the best milk and butterproducing foods, while the experiment stations burden us with innumerable tables, formulas and ratios. Feeding cannot be an exact science. We may have accurate analyses of feeds, but the feeding question includes also the matter of price, the branch of dairying followed, and the very important consideration of whether we purchase or produce the feed. In a general way it is safe to advise a dairyman to produce as much as possible on his own farm. Yet this must be governed somewhat by the size of the farm. Intensified farming is the order of the day. Some of the small dairy farms are wonders in this respect, and the man who is making dairying a side issue—and a much-neglected one at that—by keeping only a few ill cared for cows on a good sized farm, is astonished at the man who can keep a goodly number of cows on a

In the matter of feeds one must not be too eager to try everything he hears recommended, nor yet too conservative. Ensilage has evidently come to stay, as shown by the number of silos built, and one finds any number of dairymen advocating ensilage as the greatest help in feeding dairy stock. Others put equal trust in roots, and the late A. L. Crosby predicted that we would have a "root renaissance." The same writer was also an advocate of "cow peas," better known, perhaps, in the South than the North. New clovers and forage plants come before the public from time to time, the merits of which can be better determined after a few years experience and experiment. An alleged new forage plant called sacaline has attracted attention of late and according to some authorities is of doubtful value.

Various mill products and by-products are well-known factors in feeding dairy stock, among them cottonseed and linseed meals. Cottonseed meal is said to impart a firm grain to the butter, a fact not to be overlooked in warm weather. Then let it be remembered that every pound of cottonseed meal orought onto the farm adds to its fertility. And when we remember, also, that dairying naturally exhausts the fertility of the soil less than any other branch of agriculture, we can understand that it is possible to increase rather than diminish the fertility of the land by a judicious system of dairying.

In the Eastern States the corn crop has always been cut and the stalks saved as regularly as the corn itself. Such has not been the practice in the Western States, except, perhaps, for the past few years, and then only to a limited extent in certain sections. But last summer the severe dry weather in the Western States caused farmers to cut their corn and save the stalks, and dairy cows. Of course, the better condition in which they are saved and cured the more valuable they are.

F. W. MOSELEY. Clinton, Iowa.

The Meanest Man on Earth.

Mrs. Kate Busick, the noted owner and breeder of Jerseys, and platform lecturer as well, has found a mean man, meaner than all before him, and shows him up as follows, in an exchange. course he was a butterine-maker:

"I was most forcibly impressed with a rather unique advertisement the other day, and it set me to thinking. It was the well-known picture of the trim dalrymaid with her milk pail, leading a Jersey cow (no mistaking that animal) and underneath in flaring type, the legend, 'Jersey Butterine,' followed by a setting forth of the su-"I was most forcibly impressed with

perior(?) merits of the union, hog-grease and tallow, as a substitute for butter. Well, I don't wonder that a man can be found these days mean enough to drag the counterfeit presentment of a woman and a Jersey into a counterfeit product of the slaughter-house; but it 'riled' me considerably to think how the best things in life can be prostituted to such vile uses."

Mr. Craig, of the Hillsboro creamery, has made out a statement of the profits of dairying as shown at his creamery for the month commencing September 19 and ending October 19, says the Independent, of Hillsboro, Ors. The amount of milk received was 15,121 pounds, which made 1,212 pounds of butter. This was sold in Portland at 33 cents per pound, wholesale. The net price of the butter, after deducting all expenses, was 24.16 cents per pound. The amount of milk required to produce one pound of butter was 20.8 pounds, which is lower than any creamery heard from in this vicinity. The milk averaged a little over \$1 per 100, and one patron, whose milk was from Jersey cows, netted him \$1.34 per 100.

Dairying is fast becoming a prominent industry in central Kansas. Farmers are finding out that supplying milk to the creameries is a sure income that drought and crop failures can not materially affect. One of the important things is to utilize everything that grows on the farm. In ordinary years vast quantities of rough feed goes to waste (and as much more could be raised with small expense) that could be turned into money by keeping cows and becoming creamery patrons. To do this successfully it is necessary to have cows with unusual milk-producing qualities. It is a loss of time and feed to bother with an indifferent or poor milker. Keep good cows, give them close attention and you can figure on a steady and profitable income the year around.

Announcement of the University of Kansas State Geological Survey.

EDITOR KANSAS FARMER:-In conformity with the law under which the University of Kansas is now working, the Board of Regents, at a recent meeting, formally organized the University Geological Survey of Kansas, with Chancellor F. H. Snow, ex officio Director; Prof. S. W. Williston, Paleontologist; Prof. Erasmus Haworth, Geologist and Mineralogist, and Prof. E. H. S. Bailey, Chemist.

In addition to these, other members of the University faculty will be engaged upon the work of the survey, as well as the advanced students of the departments of geology and paleontology. An effort will also be made to centralize and unify the energies of different geologists in the State who have been doing valuable work along different lines of geological investigations. Already a considerable start has been made and the co-operation of different geologists of the State has been secured.

The policy of the survey will be conservative, with the expectation that it will be continued and eventually include all other branches of the nat-ural history of the State. The gen-eral stratigraphy of the State will first be elaborated in order that it may be the lesson they learned will not be for- used in the further study of various gotton by them, as they have found questions of economic and scientific corn stalks good food, especially for importance, all of which will be taken up as rapidly as existing conditions

from time to time will permit.

Work in the coal measures of the
State has been in progress for two
summers, and volume I. of the report is now almost ready for publication. other volumes will appear at irregular intervals. Those already under preparation are: One on "Coal, Oil and Gas;" one on the "Vertebrate Paleontology of the State." and one on the 'Salt and Gypsum Deposits of Kansas."

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Gossip About Stock.

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D. P. Norton, Council Grove, writes: "I have this week sold the bull calf Commodore to F. Uhl, of Pawnee, Okla. He is a fine son of Imp. Buccaneer. His great-granddam was the Countess of Benvanue. by Warfield's great show bull, Muscatoon 7057. His grandsire was the fine Rose of Sharon bull, Duke of Sharon 59604. His great-grandsire was Magistrate 27153, bred by Wm. Warfield, got by 2d Duke of Gras-mere, he by Muscatoon. We hope to have him inspected by the stockmen of Pawnee and vicinity."

The receipts of horses at the Kansas City horse market were quite liberal, with a marked improvement in the class of horses offered, but there were not enough buyers for the good ones to create a healthy competition, and this class was a little off from last week's prices. We think this only temporary and wholly occasioned by the fact that most of the regular Eastern buy-ers had not time to get around after their recent shipments. There were several buyers from Texas, Arkansas, Tennessee and Alabama, which made Southern stock sell rather better than for the past two weeks. Everything indicates a good demand for the better classes of horses.

DR. ORR'S BOOK.-Readers of the KANSAS FARMER will be pleased to know that arrangements have been made whereby they can obtain this concise and well nigh inval uable "Farmer's Ready Reference or Handbook of Diseases of Horses and Cattle" in combination with this paper at a slight saving in cost.

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The attention of our readers interested in poultry is called to the reduction price for eggs offered by Mrs. Thos. W. Ragsdale, whose "ad." is elsewhere in this issue. She reports having sold over 2,400 eggs for setting this season, and among her late shipments were settings to California and an order was filled for 100 dozen to Illinois parties for incubator hatching. From now on she will ship twelve turkey eggs for \$3; Light Brahma, \$2 for fifteen, and Plymouth Rock, \$1.50 for setting of fifteen. The visitor at the farm and those quainted with the exhibits made and the prizes won at the World's Fair, the Missouri State show and other poultry exhibitions, will recognize that Mrs. Ragsdale ranks up with the foremost of American poultry breeders. She desires to extend her acquaintance with Kansas people and proposes entire satisfaction to all her cus

Among the breeders of the West, no one is coming faster to the front than is Mr. George W. Null, of Odessa, Mo. The writer paid his farm, Elm Lawn, a visit lately, and found the poultry division of the farm's breeding operations in excellent condition. The reader will see, on reference to his "ad." elsewhere in this issue, that the Mammoth Bronze turkeys score right up with the best on record, and that he is now sending out eggs at about half price. The large pen of twenty-six Cornish Indian Games are a very interesting flock large in size, of excellent plumage, score 92½ to 93½, and these eggs go now for \$2.50 per fifteen, instead of \$5 There are two pens of high-class Light Brahmas and two pens of Barred Plymouth Rocks. These birds are all selected ones and score from 92 to 941/2. Shipments have gone this season to a dozen States and Territories. The farm lies near Odessa, thirty miles east of Kansas City, on the Chicago & Alton railway, which makes it convenient to ship to Kansas patrons.

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The Star Spangled Banner's Author.

Many interesting things about Francis Scott Key-the author of the "Star Span-gled Banner"-are contained in a pamphlet, which may be obtained free, from the Key Monument Association, of Frederick City Maryland, by sending one 2-cent stamp for postage. This association is raising funds for a suitable monument to the poet, and they suggest, that in the schools and everywhere, upon or before Flag Day (June 14), this subject be suitably recognized. tributions, however small, are asked for. Every one who loves the flag ought to have some small share in building this monument. The Governor of Maryland has strongly endorsed the movement. The names of all contributors will be preserved in the crypt of the monument, and published (without amount) in the history of the monument when completed.

American Hereford Record.

We are in receipt of Vol. XIV. of the American Hereford Record, which contains entry numbers from 55001 to 60000, inclusive, with illustrations of prominent representatives of the breed, such as Ancient Briton 55749 (15034), Cocoanut 40726, New Year's Gift 55769, Hesiod 2d 40679, Petunia 3d 27417 and Bright Duchess 15th 51821. The volume also gives the names of the officers and members of the association, as well as a detailed list of Herefords exhibited at the World's Fair in the various classes Any further information desired may be had by addressing the Secretary, C. R. Thompson, Independence, Mo.

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FOR WEEK ENDING APRIL 24, 1895.

Labette county-J. F. Thompson, clerk. HORSE—Taken up by Mary Shoriridge, in Oswego tp., March 3, 1895, one dark bay horse, 9 years old, no marks or brands; valued at \$35.

FOR WEEK ENDING MAY 1, 1895.

Atchison county-Chas. H. Krebs, clerk. TWO COLTS — Taken up by Aulos Rassch, in Grasshopper tp. (Muscotah P. O.), two colts—one bay, with white star on forehead, the other black, both 3 years old; valued at \$14 each.

Cherokee county -P. M. Humphrey, clerk. PONY—Taken up by Charley M. Yount, in Garden tp, P. O. Galena, in April, 1885, one iron-gray mare pony, fitteen hands high, 5 years old, left hind and fore feet white.

Montgomery county-John W. Glass, clerk.

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MARE—Taken up by P. M. Lee, in Cherokee tp.,
one brown mare, 3 years old

MARE—By same, one bay mare, 3 years old.
MULE—Taken up by S. M. Smith, in Cherry tp.,
one bay mare mule, fourteen hands high, 2 years
old; valued at \$25.

MARE—Taken up by James Guilkey, in Cherokee
tp., one bay mare. fifteen hands high, three white
feet, white in forehead and on nose.

FILLY—Taken up by C. Dickey, in Rutland tp.,
one brown filly, 4 years old, white spot in face.

FOR WEEK ENDING MAY 8, 1895.

Morris county-June Baxter, clerk. PONY—Taken up by C. F. Anderson, in Four Mile tp., one sorrel mare pony, about 6 years old, white spot in forehead, white hind feet; valued at \$20. MARE—By same, one bay mare, about 5 years old, white spot in forehead, right feet white, branded on right hip with figure 4; valued at \$25.

Osage county-E. C. Murphy, clerk. MARE—Taken up by S. C. Peterson, in Olivet tp., F. O. Osage City, April 18, 1895, one roan mare, four feet four inches high, branded with a key on left shoulder; valued at \$11.

Cherokee county—P. M. Humphrey, clerk.

MARE AND MULE COLT—Taken up by Joseph
Harwell, in Spring Valley tp., one sorrel mare and
mule colt, mare weighs 700 pounds, hind feet white,
star in forehead; valued at \$20.

COLT—Paken up by J. R. Hodson, in Garden tp.,
one dark bay horse colt, fourteen and a half hands
high, 3 years old.

Rush county-W. J. Hayes, clerk.

MARE—Taken up by P. A. Wright, in Belle Prairie tp., six miles southwest of Flavius, April 20, 1895, one sorrel mare, 3 years old, a heavy soar on right shoulder, left hind foot white, no brands; valued at \$25.



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SORE HEAD.—A steer was dehorned six months ago, but fails to heal. It breaks and runs matter every two or three months. H. W. J. Gradan, Kas.

Answer.-Examine the sore to see if any pieces of loose bone remain in the wound. Clean out the cavity and inject once a day for three days a little of the following: Sulphate of copper, 1 teaspoonful, dissolved in one pint of water, after which apply to the sore every day or two a little of the following: Pine tar, 1 ounce; acetate of copper, 1 ounce; carbolic acid, 3 drachms; lard, 12 ounces; mix.

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Narka, Kas. Answer.-Have your mare examined by a competent veterinarian; if the discharge from her nose proves to be nothing serious, give her, for the cough, a tablespoonful of the following twice a day: Powdered bloodroot, anise seed, fœnugreek, nitrate of potash and Jamaica ginger, of each 4 ounces, mixed.

TUMORS ON PIGS.—I had some pigs castrated in the usual way that have tumors growing on the sac from which the testicles were taken. What can I do for them? Is the flesh of such animals fit for food after they are healed? N. J. R. Neola, Kas.

Answer.-The tumor is not on the sac but on the end of the cord, probably from leaving it too long. It should be separated from the healthy tissue and removed as in castration, or if there is danger of bleeding it may be corded. The flesh will be all right when the wound heals.

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KANSAS CITY, May 6.—Cattle—Receipts since
Saturday, 2,782; calves, 31; shipped Saturday,
1,558 cattle; 189 calves. The market was active at 10 to 150 higher on native steers and 15 to 20c higher on good Texas steers. The following are representative sales. DRESSED BEEF AND SHIPPING STEERS.

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Sheep—Receipts since Saturday, 2,012; shipped Saturday, 240. The following are representative sales:

usual Monday. There are a number of buyers in town and on account of short supply a good strong market is looked for this week.

St. Louis Live Stock.

ST. LOUIS, May 6.—Cattle—Receipts, 2,600; shipments, 200; market strong but slow for natives and active and 10c higher for Texans. Export native steers, \$5.80 @6.10; good to choice

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Chicago Live Stock.

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CHICAGO, May 6.—Hogs—Receipts, 25,000; official Saturday, 9,937; shipments, Saturday, 5,303; average weight for the past week, 223 pounds; average weight for the previous week, 223 pounds; left over, about 0,800; quality fair; market moderately active with light lots weak and other grades strong at Saturday's closing prices. Sales ranged at \$4.35@4.80 for light; \$4.30@4.45 for rough packing; \$4.30@4.75 for mixed; \$4.50@4.85 for heavy packing and shipping lots; pigs, \$3.50@4.55.

Cattle—Receipts, 9,500; official Saturday, 135; shipments Saturday, 243; market firm and 5@ 10c higher.

Sheep—Receipts, 10,000; official Saturday.

Sheep-Receipts, 10,000; official Saturday, 494; shipments Saturday, 3,0.9; market steady

Chicago Grain and Provisions.

May 6.	Opened	High'st	Low'st	Closing
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Corn— May July Sept	49	491/a 50 50%	48% 49% 49%	49 49% 49%
Oats — May July Sept	281/s 281/s	28% 28% 26%	281/4 281/4 251/4	28% 28% 25%
Pork—May July Sept	11 80 11 95	11 80 12 00 12 15	11 80 11 85 12 05	11 80 11 95 12 125
Lard-May July	6 521/4	6 55	6 521/4	6 521/4
Ribs— May July Sept	6 80 6 00 6 05 6 221/4	6 85 6 00 6 10 6 25	6 80 6 00 6 021/4 6 171/4	6 00

Kansas City Grain.

Kansas City, May 6.—There was little demand for wheat here to-day. A few bids, a cent below Saturday's prices, were made. Samples were generally held for more. There

was not much wheat on sale.

The demand for wheat is entirely local now, so that quotations on the basis of Mississippi

river are not practicable.

Receipts of wheat to-day, 27 cars; a year ago,

Sales of car lots by sample on track, Kansas City: No. 2 hard wheat, nominally 63c; No. 3

hard, nominally, 62c; No. 2 red, nominally, 64c; No. 3 red, nominally, 63c; No. 4 red, 1 car 62c; rejected, nominally, 60c.

Corn was in fair demand at about Saturday's

prices. Offerings are increasing a little and the demand appears to be improving some-

Receipts of corn to-day, 17 cars; a year ago,

Sales by sample on track, Kansas City: No. 2 mixed corn, 5 cars 44%c; No. 3 mixed, 1 car, 44c; No. 4 mixed, nominally, 43%c; No. 2 white, 5 cars, 46%c; No. 8 white, nominally,

Oats were pressed for sale and met with almost no demand at all. A car of choice oats was sold at 28c, but that was a cent more than was bid for any others.

Receipts of oats to-day, 7 cars; a year ago, 10

Sales by sample on track, Kansas City: No. 2 mixed oats, nominally, 28c; No. 3 oats, nominally, 26c; No. 4, nominally, 25@25\4c; No. 2 white oats, nominally, 31c; No. 3 white

No. 2 white oats, nominally, 31c; No. 3 white oats, nominally, 31c.

Hay—Receipts, 38 cars; the market is steady. Low grades are very hard to sell.

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Kansas City Produce.

KANSAS CITY, May 6.—Eggs — Receipts, light; strictly fresh, 10½c per doz.

Poultry—Receipts rather light and market about steady. Hens, 6½c: springs, \$4.00@5.00 per doz.; roosters, 15c. Turkeys are scarce; gobblers, 7½c; hens, 8½c. Ducks, steady, 7c. Geese, dull and not wanted; alive, 4004.60.

gobblers, 7%c; nens, 5%c. Ducks, steady, 7c. Geese, dull and not wanted; alive, 4@4%c. Pigeons, firm; \$1.00 per doz.
Butter—Market weak on account of increasing supply. Extra fancy separator, 17c; fair, 15c; dairy, fancy, firm, 13c; fair, 8@10c; store packed, best, 10c; fair, sweet packed, 8c; packing, old, 4@5c; stale butter finds no sale.

Strawberries—Rather large supply on sale, Indian territory and Arkansas, fresh stock, \$1.75@2.25 per case: holdover stock, 50c up, ac-

cording to quality.

Fruit—Apples, supply moderate; market steady on good apples; best fancy stand, \$5.00 arr.00; common to choice varieties, \$2.00 arr.00; common to choice varieties, \$2.00 arr.00; common arr.00; common arr.00 arr.00; common arr.00 arr.0

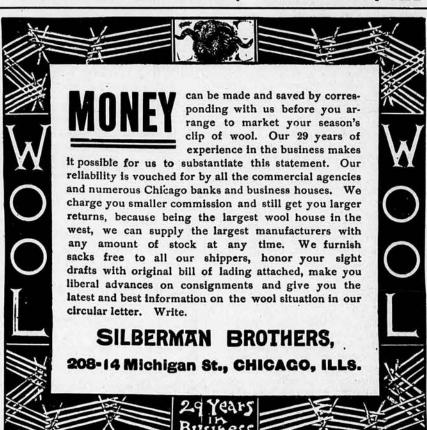
sweet potatoes, red, supply good, market slow, 25@30c per bu.; yellow, 25@30c per bu.; Utah and Colorado, market fair; choice mammoth pearl, white. best, 70@75c; No. 2, 60 765c.

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tion of such at least every other day. If those who keep poultry would feed less grain and take time to procure such materials as could be had at a small cost from the slaughter houses, the expense of maintaining the hens would be much less than when large rations of grain are used, and the supply of eggs would be more than doubled. It is the sameness of dietthe one kind of food from day to daythat throws the hens out of condition and entails a loss where one could just as easily secure a profit by going to a little extra trouble to provide a variety of food in order to afford the hens an opportunity to do their best.

Green food should not be omitted from the list at any time. In winter the best substitute is finely-chopped clover hay, scalded; and a pound of such food makes a large and bulky meal. Cooked turnips are also excellent, and a cabbage will be eaten clean to the stalk. Refuse from the breweries and glucose factories makes excellent food for poultry, and the blades of corn fodder cut up and scalded are also relished. It is the variety, the change of food, which keeps the hens in good working order.

Fowls will eat almost anything, and

without injury. There is no rule by which to feed them. Give them anything that they will eat, but change the food often. Do not simply change from one kind of grain to another, but make a complete change, and then return to grain again. If kept on one kind of food for a time the fowls show their disgust by refusing it. They will not lay until they get something else, as it is required by them, and those who feed a variety of food will make no mistake.-Farm and Fireside.

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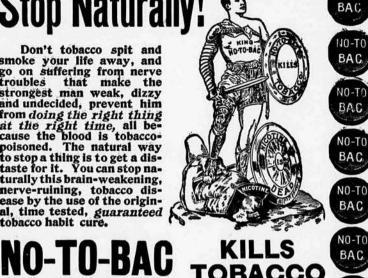
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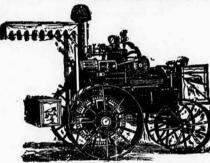
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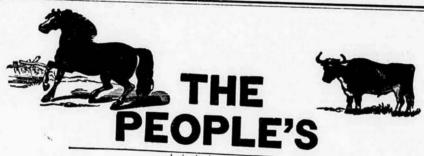
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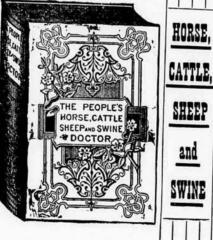
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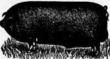
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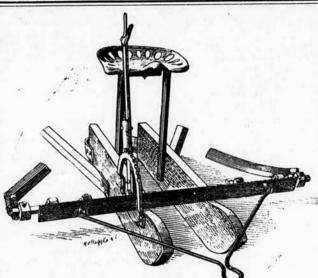
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